1 2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA 7 8 DEREK L. BLANKS, Case No. C10-5117RJB/JRC Petitioner 9 ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO PROCEED v. 10 IN FORMA PAUPERIS PAT GLEBE, 11 Respondent. 12 13 14 The petitioner in this action is seeking a habeas corpus relief from a state conviction by 15 guilty plea. He is entitled to in forma pauperis status. This case has been referred to the 16 undersigned Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 636 (b) (1) (A) and 636 (b) (1) (B) and 17 Local Magistrate Judge's Rules MJR 3 and MJR 4. 18 Petitioner's application for leave to proceed in forma pauperis (Dkt. # 1) is **GRANTED**. 19 Petitioner does not appear to have access to funds to afford the \$5.00 filing fee. 20 The Clerk is directed to mail a copy of this Order to petitioner. 21 Dated this 6^{th} day of April, 2010. 22 23 24 25 J. Richard Creatura United States Magistrate Judge 26

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